I-195 Redevelopment District Request for Quotation Grounds Maintenance and Sidewalk Snow Removal Services

The I-195 Redevelopment District (the Commission) is requesting quotes from firms qualified to support the Commission's requirement to deliver property maintenance on and adjacent to property it owns within the City of Providence, specifically identified on the attached map.

COMMISSION'S INTENT:

The Commission, through this RFQ process, intends to select a contractor which will perform grounds maintenance activities through May of 2013.

The nature of this work will require the selected vendor to provide all labor and equipment to perform the contracted effort. In addition to price, respondents must be able to demonstrate to the Commission that they have the ability to deliver the services in a timely manner so as to fulfill the Commission's responsibilities under City Ordinance 23-13 and 23-16 regarding snow removal. As such, firms submitting quotes that cannot meet these availability requirements will not be considered for award.

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS:

In order to be considered responsive, proposals shall, at a minimum, contain the following:

QUOTATION ELEMENTS:

On the last page of this Request for Quotation, a map identifying the properties the Commission (will) owns is provided for your use in developing pricing. You should note that the map identifies three (3) areas labeled as 'A', 'B' and 'C'. Respondents may quote for one area, two areas, or all three. The Commission is only responsible for the areas identified as *Proposed Parcels* and *Proposed Parks*. The response shall indicate the area(s) the quote pertains to.

<u>Grass Cutting</u>: The vendor will supply all labor and equipment to cut grass and vegetated areas, depicted on the attached map, one time in 2012 and weekly in 2013. Additionally, vendor shall perform weed eradication on adjoining sidewalks. Price quoted shall reflect cost per cutting.

<u>Litter and debris removal</u>: Vendor shall provide all labor and materials necessary to pick up and remove trash and debris from Commission parcels, depicted on the attached map, as well as removal of trash, debris and posted materials from adjoining sidewalks. Quote shall reflect daily, weekly and bi-weekly frequency options.

Sidewalk snow removal: Vendor shall provide all labor and equipment necessary to remove snow from all sidewalks adjacent to Commission-owned parcels depicted on the attached map. Work shall be accomplished in order to comply with City Ordinance, Section 23-13. The vendor shall also provide a quote to provide and apply sand to ice-encumbered sidewalks in order to comply with City Ordinance Section 23-16. Excerpts of the Ordinance provisions can be found at the end of this RFQ. Quote shall reflect pricing per event.

Technical Quotation Elements

- 1. Description of services provided by the respondent
- 2. Person that will be primary point of contact with the Commission

- 3. Past experience of the respondent to provide the requested services
- 4. A listing of the staff to be assigned to this engagement and their respective qualifications, past experience on engagements of this scope, and their role in those past engagements.
- 5. 24 hour availability during the winter months. (November-April)
- 6. Number of anticipated workers
 - Anticipated % of workers who are RI residents
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 - Projected wages paid to workers along with a list of included benefits.

<u>Insurance coverage limits:</u>

- A. For liability for bodily injury, including accidental death, \$500,000 for any person and, subject to the same limit for each person, \$1,000,000 on account of one accident.
- B. For liability for property damages, \$500,000, on account of any one accident and \$1,000,000, on account of all accidents.

The following types of insurance shall be provided:

- A. Workman's Compensation Insurance as required by the General Laws of Rhode Island.
- B. Bodily Injury Insurance and Contractor's Protective Bodily Injury Insurance, in the amounts required in (A) above.
- C. Property Damage Insurance and Contractor's Protective Property Damage Insurance, each including coverage for blasting and explosion, and injury to or destruction of wires or pipes and similar property and appurtenant apparatus, and collapse of or structural injury to any building or structure in amounts required in (B) above.
- D. Bodily Injury Insurance covering the operation of all motor vehicles owned by the Contractor, in the amounts required in (A) above.
- E. Property Damage Insurance covering the operation of all motor vehicles owned by Contractor, in the amount not less than \$150,000.
- F. Insurance in the amounts required in (A) and (E) above, to cover bodily inures and property damage resulting from the use of motor vehicles that are operated in connection with prosecution of the work under this contract.
- G. Contractual Liability Insurance covering the liability assumed by the Contractor (we weren't sure what that would be).
- H. Owner shall be listed as additional insured and all policies required herein shall be so written that 15 days' notice of cancellation or restrictive amendment, written notice will be provided to the Commission.

Cost Quotation Elements

- 1. Price for each element of the Scope identified above by area
- 2. Rates for additional services offered by the firm

Administrative Elements

- 1. Certification of availability to meet City Ordinance requirements
- 2. References
- 3. Certification that a Certificate of Good Standing from the Rhode Island Division of Taxation will be delivered to the Commission upon award.
- 4. A listing of all current and ongoing contracts
- 5. A disclosure of all outstanding financial obligations with the State of Rhode Island.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

	Percentage
Firm Capability	40%
Staffing	25%
Fee expectation	35%

LOGISTICS:

A bidder's site walk will be held on **November 20, 2012** starting at **9:30 a.m**. Potential bidders interested in participating are asked to meet at 315 Iron Horse Way, Providence, RI at 9:15. A bus will take all on a tour of the properties to be maintained.

No phone calls will be accepted. Questions may be submitted via e-mail to mwalker@riedc.com. Answers to all questions will be posted no later than November 21, 2012.

RFQ responses are due no later than 2:00 p.m., local time, on November 28, 2012. Any responses received after this time will not be considered.

1 original and 4 copies of the submittal shall be delivered to:

I-195 Redevelopment District 315 Iron Horse Way, Suite 101

Providence, RI 02908

Attn: Grounds Maintenance and Snow Removal RFQ

Electronic and facsimile submissions will not be accepted and will be discarded without consideration.

The Commission reserves the right to select the quote which the Commission believes, in its sole and absolute discretion, provides the greatest value to the Commission.

Further, the Commission reserves the right to terminate this solicitation prior to entering into any agreement with any qualified firm pursuant to this Request for Quotations, and by responding hereto, no firms are vested with any rights in any way whatsoever.

City Ordinance Excerpts

Sec. 23-13. - Removal of snow – Required.

All owners, occupants or persons, having care of any building or lot bordering upon any street, highway or public place within the city, shall, within the first eight (8) hours of daylight after the end of any snowfall, or the fall or deposit of snow on the sidewalk of said building or lot from any cause whatsoever:

- (a)Remove or cause to be removed all snow from a path not less than three (3) feet in width of the entire border in or on said street, highway, or public place;
- (b)Remove or cause to be removed all snow from around any fire hydrant on the sidewalk in front of said building or lot;
- (c)Remove or cause to be removed all snow from the opening of any catch basin in the sidewalk of said building or lot;
- (d)Remove or cause to be removed all snow from pedestrian-access ramps cut into street curbs bordering said building or lot;

Any person found guilty of violating this section shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00). The enforcement of the above shall be done by the city police department and/or an inspector or supervisor of the city public works department. Failure to pay the fine within thirty (30) days will result in the creation of a special lien against the said lot(s), which lien shall be removed only upon payment of the fine plus an administrative penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). The imposition of such fine and other charges may be appealed to municipal court within ten (10) days of the issuance of a written citation.

(Ord. 1914, ch. 30, § 24; Rev. Ords. 1946, ch. 33, § 38; Ord. 1961, ch. 1422, § 1; Ord. 1994, 94-56, § 1, 12-27-94; Ord. 2003, ch. 03-37, 6-16-03; Ord. 2009, ch. 09-63, § 1, 12-10-09)

Cross reference— *Removal of snow and ice by railroad, § 19-22.*

State law reference— Power of council to regulate removal of snow and ice from sidewalks, § 24-7-1, Gen. Laws 1956.

Sec. 23-16. - Removal of ice from sidewalks, required.

Whenever the sidewalk or any part thereof adjoining any building or lot of land on any street shall be encumbered with ice, it shall be the duty of the owner, occupant or any person having the care of such building or lot, to cause such sidewalk to be made safe and convenient by removing the ice therefrom, or by covering the same with sand or some other suitable substance.

(Ord. 1914, ch. 30, § 25; Rev. Ords. 1946, ch. 33, § 39)

State law reference— Power of council to regulate removal of snow and ice from sidewalks, § 24-7-1, Gen. Laws, 1956

